Optionally, the slide-in units 38 can be equipped with lateral cable guides 57 in the form of downwardly curved troughs (FIG. 5) which are an additional means besides the sidebars 35 of ensuring that the bending radius does not fall below the required minimum value. This is particularly advantageous for slide-in units with optical connectors. Since the cable guides 57 stand over laterally, a slide-in unit 38 with already mounted cable guides 57 has to be tilted to enable the slide-in unit 38 to be slid into or pulled out of the junction unit 31. Alternatively, the cable guides 57 are mounted to the slide-in units 38 before they are slid into the junction unit 31. The slide-in units 38 are equipped with holes near their lateral edges to enable them to be mounted at the faces 33 of the cable junction unit 31 by means of the screws 49 in the threaded holes 44 on an appropriate level.

Please replace the paragraph on page ~~16~~ 17, ~~line 28 page 17, line 16~~ line 17 with the following amended paragraph: SB 10-15-08

In order to assemble the cable junction unit 31 from the above-described pieces, two or more sidebars 35 are mounted to each side of two opposing face parts 34 (for installations with a low-raised floor, only one sidebar per side may be sufficient). The resulting frame is a tube-shaped open frame. The height at which the sidebars 35 are mounted depends on the height at which the slide-in units 38 are mounted and which type of data cable is used. The height is to be chosen appropriately so that the data cables to be fixed to the sidebars 35 are not bent beyond the required minimum bending radius. The required number and type of slide-in units 38 are slid into the portal-like opening of the face parts 34 from the outside and secured by means of the screws 49 in